For this reason the General Assembly is requesting a number of agencies and persons to study procedures for meeting the reduced rate of military and national defense spending.

The Economic Development Commission while continuing its efforts to bring new industry to Maryland could also consider ways and means for easing the impact from these cutbacks in Maryland.

The several political subdivisions, particularly those in which defense installations have been operating should explore possible alternative utilization of their plant and manpower facilities.

The local industry and their trade unions should explore methods of diversification of their facilities and technology.

The Legislative Council could explore whether or not further legislation may be needed to enable communities, industry, labor, universities and other affected institutions and individuals to adapt to these changes.

The Economic Development Commission should call upon the resources and the knowledge of the Department of Defense and other agencies of the Federal Government for assistance in exploring possibilities of locating in Maryland new, non-defense and scientific industries and research. Finally it is proposed that the Economic Development Commission with the collaboration of the Legislative Council convene a State Conference on Industrial Conversion and Growth to consider the manifold problems arising from shifts or reductions in defense outlays.

With the collaboration of all these agencies, industries and persons, the State of Maryland could make an effective and concerted attack upon the problems of economic recession threatened by the current cutbacks in the rate of national defense and military expenditures in the State of Maryland; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Economic Development Commission is requested to make a study of the number of workers, industries, businesses, educational institutions and communities directly or indirectly involved in or dependent upon contracts from the Department of Defense and to determine those programs of economic growth and development which would take the place of the industries and occupations now receiving reduced expenditures from the national defense and military programs of the Federal Government.

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House Joint Resolution providing for the creation of an official coordinating committee, in Prince George's County, providing for the membership and duties of the committee, establishing greater